

is empowered to take further necessary action under the provisions of the MRTTP Act.

**German's Proposals for Joint Business Development in India**

**4975. SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:** Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the proposals received from the German Government in connection with joint business development in India.

(b) the details of assistance and grants-in-aid worked out by the German Government for the purpose;

(c) the terms and conditions on which the assistance has been extended;

(d) whether these conditions have been examined by the Government; and

(e) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) No. of proposal has been received from the Government of Germany for joint business development in India.

dia. However, financial and technical assistance have been provided for the Indo-German Export Promotion Project and the Indo-German Investment Promotion Service. These projects have been in operation since 1988 and 1984 respectively.

(b) to (e). Do not arise.

**Earnings from Export of Marine Products**

**4976. SHRI VIJAY NAVAL PATIL:** Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the earnings from export of marine products during the last three years and 1991-92;

(b) whether devaluation of rupee and attractive incentives have helped export earnings; and

(c) if so, the expected target of earnings from export of marine products during 1992-93?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) The export of marine products during the last three years and during April 1991-February, 1992 are:-

	<i>Qty. (in Mts)</i>	<i>Value (Rs. Crores)</i>
1988-89	99777	597.85
1989-90	110843	634.99
1990-91	139419	893.37
April, 91-		
Feb., 1992.	146378	1200.5

(Source: MPEDA, KOCHI)

(b) Yes, Sir, In spite of economic recession in three major seafood importing countries, our export has shown increase both in volume and value.

(c) The export target of marine products for 1992-93 is tentatively fixed at Rs.1586 crores (US \$600 Mo).

**Seizure of Gold, Silver and other Contraband Goods in Delhi**

4977. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH HOODA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity and value of gold, silver

and other contraband goods seized in Delhi since January, 1990;

(b) the number of persons arrested in this connection and the number of foreigners out of them; and

(c) the action taken by the Government against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b): The year-wise figures of gold, silver and other contraband goods seized and the number of persons arrested by Delhi Customs authorities since January, 1990 are given in the table below:-

<i>Item</i>	<i>Quantity (in kgs.)</i>	<i>Value (Rs. in crores.)</i>	<i>No. of persons arrested</i>
1990			
Gold	483.8	18.72239	including 67 foreigners
Silver	8763.0	5.79	
Other contraband	-	23.69	
1991			
Gold	470.2	19.16	254 including 16 foreigners
Silver	3634.0	2.39	
Other contraband	-	27.94	
1992			
Gold	87.2	4.23	
Silver	5301.0	4.19	34
Other contraband	-	0.37	

NOTE: Figures for the Year 1991 & 1992 are provisional.